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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PRIORITY REQUEST

Sir:

This preliminary amendment is filed along with the filing of a non-provisional patent application transmittal form. This patent application claims the benefit of the earlier filing date of prior filed co-pending provisional application serial number <u>60/241,603</u> filed on <u>October 19, 2000</u> under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(4). Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

## -- Cross Reference To Related Patent Applications

This is a non-provisional application of prior pending U.S. provisional application serial number <u>60/241,603</u> filed <u>October 19, 2000</u>.

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